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(To Feb. 25, 1888)

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

1st. Received savings bank tax,	\$3,435.94
literary fund,	209.42
railroad tax,	268.28
insurance tax,	10.50
sale of Walker house,	52.00
sale of old bridge plank,	3.20
sale of burial lot in cemetery, Hopkinton village,	5.00
Charles G. Green legacy,	200.00
Nathaniel Abbott,	200.00
support of county paupers,	474.64
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	\$4,858.98

Accounted for as follows :

Cash paid into town treasury, as per treasurer's receipts,	\$4,858.98
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2d. The selectmen are chargeable with orders drawn on the town treasurer to Feb. 25, 1888, amounting to	\$13,762.28
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Accounted for as follows :

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid state tax,	\$2,476.00
county tax,	2,855.16
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	\$4,831.16

Paid Col. Putnam Post, Decoration Day,	\$50.00
Hopkinton precinct tax,	1,000.00
school money,	2,391.50
Repairs on school-houses,	500.00
Damage to sheep by dogs,—paid Charles French, 1 sheep,	4.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE LIBRARY

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Samuel Shurtleff and children,	\$176.00
Betsey B. Gage,	71.97
James C. Rowe,	1.00
Samuel Rollins,	29.72
Lucy M. Stevens,	73.50
Cyrus S. Willard,	3.50
George W. Randall,	4.75
Charles C. Howard,	19.87
Charles W. Brown,	53.83
Moses Kezer,	27.00
Orrin C. Morgan,	13.50

	\$474.64

TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid E. D. Couch,	51.37
Amos H. Duke,	21.55
James M. Hook,	16.78
Charles N. Kezer,	18.50
Mary G. Chase,	92.66
Charles P. Getchell,	5.55
Samuel B. Bohonan,	\$222.00
Mary A. Clark,	45.00

	\$473.41

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid E. S. Richardson, lighting bridge for repairs,	\$2.00
E. E. Chase, breaking roads in Dists. Nos. 1 and 47,	21.50
E. E. Chase, labor on highway, Dist. No. 1,	10.00
Oscar N. Chase, lighting Contoocook bridge,	7.70
E. E. Chase, breaking, Dist. No. 1.	48.55
Thomas Hughes, labor, Dist. No. 1,	13.13

Paid	Christopher Moran, breaking roads, Dist. No. 1,	8.68
	N. C. Chase, snowing Contoocook bridge,	9.00
	F. J. Mudgett, breaking roads, Dist. No. 46,	6.02
	Walter C. Ager, breaking roads, Dist. No. 27.	25.00
	Wm. F. Dodge, breaking roads, Dist. No. 7,	16.72
	John G. Patch, breaking roads, Dists. Nos. 33 and 34,	28.51
	D. L. Gage, damage to horse, Dist. No. 37,	25.00
	W. C. Rand, breaking roads, Dist. No. 19,	13.94
	R. S. Gould, breaking roads, Dist. No. 30,	19.07
	O. F. Fuller, labor on highway, Dist. No. 26,	34.71
	J. S. Kezer, breaking roads, Dist. No. 20, 1886 and '87,	16.15
	Albert Hardy, repairing culvert in south road,	1.12
	F. P. Annis, breaking roads, Dist. No. 18,	27.61
	C. F. Clough, breaking roads, Dist. No. 51,	19.22
	E. E. Chase, labor, Dists. Nos. 1 and 48,	8.00
	D. A. Spaulding, breaking roads, Dist. No. 13,	16.20
	Orin Chase, labor, Dist. No. 15,	2.92
	C. H. Smith, breaking roads, Dist. No. 53,	26.79
	C. C. Cheney, breaking roads, Dist. No. 9,	22.94
	J. L. French, labor, Dist. No. 7,	1.15
	J. K. Clark, breaking roads, Dist. No. 50,	20.65
	O. F. Fuller, " " 26,	1.80
	Wm. L. Moulton, " " 8,	52.35
	E. H. Edmonds, " " 32,	23.34
	C. S. Rowell, poles for railing, Dist. No. 1,	2.50
	C. S. Rowell, breaking roads, Dist. No. 21,	5.74
	H. M. Kimball, " " 36,	52.30
	M. W. Burbank, " " 17,	9.95
	S. A. Hardy, breaking roads, Dists. Nos. 15 and 20,	19.57
	T. E. White, breaking roads, Dist. No. 23,	6.00
	T. B. Eastman, labor on bridge, Dist. No. 3,	4.50
	David Seavey, labor, Dist. No. 1,	18.37
	C. W. Brown, labor on Clough road,	8.43

Paid	V. W. Brown, labor on Clough road,	3.75
J. M. Hook,	" "	13.95
D. W. Hastings,	" "	1.87
N. J. Hook,	" "	3.75
J. F. Hook,	" "	5.25
Fred W. W. Mills,	" "	9.68
G. A. Stevens, labor on bridge, Dist. No. 3,		10.50
Geo. M. Putnan, breaking roads, Dist. 4,		12.80
H. H. Andrews,	" " 14,	8.00
M. M. Ellinwood, breaking roads in 1886 and '87,		14.84
Geo. W. Currier, labor, Dist. No. 1,		6.85
Geo. Chase, breaking roads, Dist. No. 3,		15.23
E. G. Kimball,	" " 43,	30.39
David Seavey, labor on Clough road,		12.75
G. A. Stevens,	" "	4.00
C. Montgomery, labor, Dist. No. 2,		8.60
M. E. Dodge, breaking roads, Dist. No. 12,		4.18
E. W. Holmes, labor, Dist. No. 6,		10.00
Warren Huntoon, breaking roads, Dist. No. 5,		5.84
E. H. Edmond, labor on bridge, Dist. No. 3,		2.00
H. E. Dow, labor on road machine,		11.56
C. F. Clough, labor on Clough road,		2.57
C. F. Dustin,	" "	54.00
C. F. Dustin, chestnut lumber for bridge,		32.64
G. B. Hiland, breaking roads, Dist. No. 39,		20.50
E. Danforth, labor, Dist. No. 10,		2.00
J. Downing, breaking roads, Dist. No. 33,		5.85
E. S. Richardson, snowing Tyler and Black- water bridges,		13.00
E. S. Richardson, labor, Dist. No. 27,		2.25
W. H. Milton, working road machine,		8.75
Geo. H. Pierce, snowing new bridge,		5.00
J. S. Straw, breaking roads, Dist. No. 24,		20.29
I. F. Brown, labor on Clough road,		1.25
C. W. Brown,	" "	5.00

Paid V. W. Brown, labor on Clough road,	5.00
J. M. Dinsmore, " "	5.00
Geo. H. Terrill, " "	5.00
David Seavey, labor on Blackwater bridge,	3.00
David Seavey, labor on Clough road,	18.93
Geo. H. Terrill, " "	2.50
H. H. Andrews, " "	14.00
Geo. W. Elliott, repairing highway, Dist. No. 5,	79.95
E. W. Holmes, labor on highway, Dist. No. 6,	10.00
David Seavey, labor on stone work,	19.00
Geo. H. Locke, breaking roads, Dist. No. 25,	42.95
G. A. Stevens, labor on stone work,	22.00
E. E. Chase, " "	15.00
F. W. Chandler, " "	13.12
E. W. Holmes, labor on Dist. No. 6,	5.00
E. A. Boutwell, lumber and plank for bridges,	97.97
G. A. Stevens, labor on bridges,	11.00
C. F. Dustin, labor on stone work,	3.50
C. F. Dustin, labor on Clough road,	26.00
David Seavey, labor on highway, Dist. No. 1,	11.40
E. W. Holmes, labor, Dist. No. 6,	19.00
J. W. Paige, breaking on highway, Dist. No. 35,	8.00
A. B. Goodwin, stone and labor, Dist. No. 4,	55.00
William Son, labor on stone work,	14.25
Enoch Danforth, labor, Dist. No. 3,	15.00
J. M. Dinsmore, labor on Clough road,	3.75
J. M. Dinsmore, " "	5.00
H. J. Chandler, labor, Dist. No. 3,	1.80
Fred W. W. Mills, labor on Clough road,	12.50
G. A. Hastings, " "	11.25
N. J. Hook, " "	5.00
David Seavey, " "	15.00
D. W. Hastings, " "	11.25
C. E. Clough, " "	8.25
H. H. Andrews, " "	27.00
W. H. Milton, " "	30.00

Paid W. H. Milton, labor, Dist. No. 6,	1.50
E. W. Stanley, labor on Clough road,	7.50
Horace Burbank, labor, Dist. No. 1,	3.75
N. C. Chase, labor on Clough road,	11.25
N. C. Chase, " Blacker bridge,	1.50
Fred W. W. Mills, labor, Dist. No. 1,	3.75
S. A. Hardy, " "	5.00
G. A. Stevens, labor on Clough road,	44.50
S. A. Hardy, " "	13.75
C. A. Milton, labor on highway, Dist. No. 1,	7.25
J. S. Kezer, labor on Clough road,	6.00
S. D. McGloughlin, labor and iron, Clough road,	12.70
David Seavey, horse hire, Dist. No. 1,	15.00
David Seavey, labor, Dist. No. 1,	30.00
Geo. W. Elliott, " 5,	12.00
C. E. Little, labor on road machine,	6.00
Joseph Derry, " "	6.05
H. B. A. Boutwell, breaking roads, Dist. No. 52,	2.50
C. C. Annis, labor and lumber, Dist. No. 1,	14.05
H. J. Chandler, labor, Dist. No. 4,	1.65
Wm. A. Wiggin, " "	2.30
W. F. Dodge, " "	3.85
J. G. Brockway, breaking roads, Dist. No. 40,	5.11
J. L. Taggart, labor, Dist. No. 2,	100.00
Nicholas Nye, " " 6,	1.50
F. P. Annis, labor and gravel,	3.70
E. W. Holmes, labor, Dist. No. 6,	4.50
J. S. Staw, " " 4,	31.44
J. M. Dinsmore, labor, Dist. No. 1,	1.15
G. H. Terrill, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	2.77
J. F. Brown, " "	2.62
J. M. Dinsmore, " "	3.15
C. W. Brown, " "	2.70
A. N. Chandler, labor, Dist. No. 38,	10.07
C. F. Chase, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 6,	5.25

Paid J. H. Bacon, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	6.45
C. J. Connor, labor, Dist. No. 5,	.50
Fred E. Corliss, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	2.10
G. A. Locke, " "	.75
J. S. Dwinnells, " "	4.20
C. E. Clough, breaking roads, Dist. No. 1,	25.07
F. P. Annis, " "	38.62
V. W. Brown, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	5.55
C. B. Chase, " "	6.75
F. W. W. Mills, " "	5.10
H. H. Burbank, " "	1.41
A. J. West, " "	5.02
E. Wayne, " " 6,	2.55
David Copp, " " 1,	5.85
G. A. Stevens, labor on bridges,	4.88
R. L. West, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	.75
W. P. Dwinels, " "	2.85
F. G. Richardson, " " 6,	3.82
C. A. Chase, " " 4,	1.50
C. H. Blake, " " 1,	1.87
H. J. Chandler, " " 4,	8.45
G. W. Elliott, breaking roads, Dist. No. 5,	100.00
N. Watterton, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 6,	3.75
J. M. Dinsmore, " " 1,	1.05
F. W. W. Mills, " "	2.55
G. G. Barnard, breaking roads, Dist. No. 1,	3.23
F. E. Downing, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	3.06
John Shurtleff, " "	2.17
C. Milton, " "	2.17
C. R. Chase, " "	2.55
W. C. Ager, breaking roads, Dist. No. 1,	20.00
W. C. Ager, labor on road machine,	7.25
H. H. Andrews, breaking roads, Dist. No. 1,	10.00
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	\$2,855.52

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid	L. D. Evans, services of auditors,	\$9.00
	E. E. Chase, board of auditors,	3.50
	John A. Fuller, insurance on town house,	25.00
	E. C. Cole, printing public notices,	1.00
	C. Putnam, error on tax,	5.72
	I. C. Evans, printing town reports,	24.00
	I. C. Evans, printing notices,	1.00
	J. E. Putnam, transporting engine to Hopkinton Village,	6.00
	J. A. Fuller, making deeds and depositions,	2.00
	H. L. Choate, services after settlement,	8.00
	E. S. Richardson, services and postage after settlement,	12.50
	J. A. Fuller, services as clerk of school district, 1886,	2.50
	T. B. Eastman, labor putting up derrick,	.75
	Parker Flanders, services as constable, 1886,	5.00
	N. C. Chase, straw and labor for tramp house,	1.00
	L. F. Spofford, notifying town officers,	10.00
	M. W. Burbank, labor on Frog pond drain,	1.50
	F. W. Chandler, " "	2.62
	Wm. Son, " "	4.48
	F. C. Mills, " "	1.88
	G. A. Stevens, labor and money on Frog pond ditch,	8.55
	W. O. Palmer, labor on Frog pond drain,	1.88
	C. H. Mills, " "	4.13
	C. C. French, for Decoration Day,	50.00
	I. C. Evans, printing tax bills,	1.60
	G. A. Curtice, use of hall for selectmen, April 14th,	1.50
	W. J. Chase, labor in Contoocook cemetery,	4.50
	J. S. Clough, lumber and labor in Dist. No. 1,	4.25
	E. S. Richardson, housing road machine,	1.25
	G. A. Stevens, labor on Frog pond drain,	12.00

Paid G. H. Terrill, labor on Frog pond drain,	2.81
F. W. Chandler, " "	7.50
F. W. Chandler, labor on drain pipe,	3.75
A. S. Straw, " "	2.50
J. W. Dwinnells, " "	1.25
H. H. Burbank, " "	1.25
T. B. Eastman, labor on stonewall near tannery,	13.87
J. E. Putnam, Engine Company, No. 1, Con-	
toocook,	112.75
A. J. Osborn, Engine Company, No. 2, Hop-	
kinton Fire King,	66.75
T. B. Eastman, labor on Frog pond drain,	2.25
T. B. Eastman, labor on drain pipe,	4.37
G. A. Stevens, " "	27.75
J. P. Colby, " "	2.50
G. H. Nichols, painting guide boards,	1.20
G. A. Curtice, brick, pipe, cement and spike,	306.50
Isaac Story, interest on Lenard legacy,	30.00
J. E. Fellows, error in highway tax in 1885,	5.64
Albert Hardy, damage to well by Frog pond	
drain,	15.00
G. H. Ketchum, stove pipe for tramp house,	2.22
D. W. Brown, labor on drain pipe,	.62
H. H. Andrews, drawing sand for Frog pond	
drain,	2.00
J. A. Fuller, returns of births and deaths, mar-	
riages and permits,	21.65
W. K. Wadleigh, certificates of deaths and	
births,	2.00
G. C. Blaisdell, certificates of births and deaths,	8.50
G. H. Powers, " "	3.50
H. F. Edmonds, care of tramps,	3.70
A. N. Chandler, 360 feet boards,	4.32
F. W. Chandler, labor on Frog pond drain,	.55
C. H. Mills, " "	4.55

Paid J. H. Bacon, laying brick for sewer,	3.50
G. A. Stevens, labor on Frog pond drain,	3.00
G. A. Stevens, rent of land for tramp house to April 1, 1888,	1.50
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, books and stationery,	23.13
J. M. Dwinells, shoveling snow, Dist. No. 1,	1.42
J. D. Merrill, error in highway tax, 1885,	3.00
O. N. Chase, care of tramps to Feb. 13, 1888,	15.00
A. C. Sargent, water trough,	2.00
E. Spencer, "	3.00
H. J. Chase, damage to land for powder and sand,	5.00
A. Hardy, labor and lumber, Frog pond drain,	.50
T. J. Putney, labor in cemetery on Putney Hill,	3.00
J. A. Fuller, drawing and notifying jurors,	6.94
J. A. Fuller, telephone, stationery and postage,	8.37
J. A. Fuller, taking depositions,	3.00
J. A. Fuller, attending tax sale,	1.00
G. A. Stevens, horse hire,	15.00
Wm. F. Dodge "	10.00
J. G. Patch, "	7.00
G. A. Stevens, postage and stationery,	3.64
G. A. Stevens, making out orders,	10.00
F. Spofford, non-resident tax paid in labor,	7.97
J. G. Patch, tax of C. G. Hawthorne collected by sale by real estate at auction, tax of 1886,	28.01
services of auditors,	9.00
board of auditors,	3.50
insurance on town house,	25.00
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	\$993.34

ABATEMENT OF TAXES—1887 LIST.

Abial Barnard,	\$.87
Amos H. Duke,	2.61
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	\$3.48
On list, 1884:	
Charles W. Brown,	1.96
Charles H. Corliss,	1.05
Thomas Moran,	.96
George W. J. Colby,	1.05
Alonzo Rowell,	.96
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	\$5.98

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Gilmon A. Stevens, selectman,	\$164.00
Wm. F. Dodge, selectman,	117.00
John G. Patch, selectman,	90.00
John A. Fuller, town clerk,	40.00
Isaac D. Merrill, treasurer,	50.00
Henry D. Dustin, school board,	50.50
T. B. Richardson, school board,	41.00
John S. Straw, school board,	54.25
Frank I. Morrill, supervisor,	7.50
Eli A. Boutwell, supervisor,	7.50
E. G. Runnells, supervisor,	7.50
Frederick Spofford, in part payment as collector,	50.00
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	\$679.25

SUMMARY.

Paid state tax,	\$2,476.00
county tax,	2,355.16
Memorial Day,	50.00
Hopkinton village precinct,	1,000.00

Paid school money,	2,391.50
repairs on school-houses,	500.00
county paupers,	474.64
town paupers,	473.41
highways and bridges,	2,355.52
damage to sheep by dogs,	4.00
abatement of taxes,	9.46
miscellaneous,	993.34
town officers,	679.25
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	\$13,762.28

The auditors find the foregoing accounts of the selectmen properly vouched and correctly cast.

LEWIS D. EVANS,
JOHN S. STRAW,
HERMAN W. GREENE,
Auditors.

HOPKINTON, Feb. 24, 1888.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN.

FEB. 24, 1888.

Taxes, uncollected list 1872-3,	17.80
1874-5,	29.43
1876-7,	39.78
1878-9-'80,	68.38
1884,	67.56
1887,	885.42
Cash in treasurer's hands,	1,340.73
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	\$2,449.10

Respectfully submitted,

GILMON A. STEVENS,

WM. F. DODGE,

JOHN G. PATCH,

Selectmen of Hopkinton.

AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE TOWN TREASURER.

Isaac D. Merrill, in account with the town of Hopkinton, as treasurer for the year 1887:

Cash on hand as per settlement Feb.

25, 1887,	\$1,608.34
Cash received of L. H. Dearborn, taxes, 1884,	\$30.00
Cash received of J. G. Patch, taxes, 1886,	236.23
Cash received of F. Spofford, taxes, 1887,	8,741.00
Cash received for insurance tax,	10.50
railroad tax,	268.28
savings bank tax,	3,435.94
literary fund tax,	209.42
support of county paupers,	474.64
interest on Lerned legacy,	26.25
sale of Walker house,	52.00
sale of cemetery lot,	5.00
sale bridge plank,	3.20
J. G. Patch, for highway tax, 1884,	14.39
J. G. Patch, interest on tax list, 1886,	11.82
	— \$13,581.17
	— \$15,126.51

Accounted for as follows:

Orders drawn by selectmen,	\$13,785.78
Cash on hand,	1,340.73
	— \$15,126.51

LEGACY ACCOUNT.

LERNED LEGACY.

Securities on hand Feb. 25, 1887,	500.00
Interest collected to Jan. 1, 1888, carried to cash account,	26.25
	— \$526.25

Accounted for as follows:

Securities on hand Feb. 24, 1888,	\$500.00
Interest carried to cash account,	26.25
	— — \$526.25

The auditors certify that the foregoing account of the Treasurer is properly vouched and correctly cast.

LEWIS D. EVANS,

JOHN S. STRAW,

HERMAN W. GREENE,

Auditors.

HOPKINTON, Feb. 24, 1888.

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF HOPKINTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1888.

FINANCIAL

School Board,	Dr.
To amount in Treasury at settlement	
March 1, 1887,	\$105.13
Received Town Treasurer	2166.50
" amount required by law to be	
raised from railroad tax,	225.00
" from Isaac Story from Acad-	
emy fund,	100.00
" from the City of Concord, tuitions,	19.95
Total	\$2616.58

Which is accounted for as follows:

Paid at Hopkinton Village.

Teachers' wages,	\$250.50
Fuel, repairs, care of house, and	
materials furnished as per receipts,	35.63

—— \$286.13

Emerson Hill :

Teachers' wages,	\$174.00
Fuel, etc,	18.90
	—— \$192.90

Hatfield :

Teachers' wages,	140.00
Fuel, etc,	17 45
	—— \$157.45

Sugar Hill and Stumpfield :

Teachers' wages,	\$159.00
Fuel, etc.,	22.77
	— \$181.77

South Contoocook :

Teachers' wages,	\$226.00
Fuel, etc.,	28.80
	— \$254.80

North Contoocook :

Teachers' wages,	\$232.00
Fuel, etc.,	22.55
	— \$254.55

Clement's Hill :

Teachers' wages,	\$159.00
Fuel, etc.,	11.53
	— \$170.53

Blackwater :

Teachers' wages,	\$100.00
Fuel, etc.,	9.94
	— \$109.94

Beech Hill :

Teachers' wages,	\$160.00
Fuel, etc.,	17.35
	— \$177.35

Main Road :

Teachers' wages,	\$177.00
Fuel, etc.,	17.15
	— \$194.15

Jewett Road :

Teachers' wages,	\$145.00
Fuel, etc.,	16.05
	— \$161.05

South Road :

Teachers' wages,	\$55.00
Fuel, etc.,	12.00
	— \$67.00

Putney Hill :

Teachers' wages,	\$105.50
Fuel, etc.,	6.73
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	\$112.23

Paid Mrs. Crowell, teaching at Farrington's Corner,	35.00
" Warner School District, tuitions,	32.40
" For conveying scholars,	15.00
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	\$2402.25
Cash in Treasury to balance,	214.33
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	\$2616.58

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched,

L. D. EVANS,
ANSON WHITE,
HERMAN W. GREEN,
Auditors.

HOPKINTON, Feb. 24, 1888.

The School Board in Account with the Town of Hopkinton, for money raised by vote to repair School Houses.

1887 Dr.
Sept. 1. Received of J. D. Merrill, town treasurer, \$500.00
" " G. E. Merrill, for lime and windows and boards, \$4.25

\$504.25

Accounted for as follows : Cr.
June 18. Paid F. H. Carr, as per bill, \$28.86
July 16. Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, as per bill, 7.12

Aug.	1.	Paid Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, as per bill,	1.94
	3.	J. O. Straw, as per bill,	3.00
	3.	J. S. Straw, as per bill,	3.00
	8.	Humphrey & Dodge, as per bill,	1.07
	15.	" " "	.90
	15.	Lowell Eastman, as per bill,	20.35
	17.	Michigan School Furniture Co.	65.00
	17.	Kimball & Danforth, laths,	2.75
	29.	Frank Coffin, lime and hair,	4.41
		J. L. Hager, labor,	7.50
Sept.	13.	George E. Merrill, labor,	6.85
	14.	E. B. Dunbar, labor,	84.61
		C. H. Martin and Co., as per bill,	43.34
		Joseph Dery, for paper,	.65
	21.	W. P. Ford & Co., 1 box stove,	9.00
	27.	J. L. Hager to labor on Jewett road,	2.50
Oct.	20.	C. C. Burnham, as per bill,	6.36
	24.	T. B. Richardson, as per bill,	22.25
	29.	Henry D. Dustin, paint, oil, and labor on school house, Emerson,	22.92
		L. W. Buswell, lumber,	12.43
		Frank Perry, painting,	20.87
		Humphrey, Dodge & Smith,	.45
		Henry D. Dustin, clapboards,	9.00
		Melvin Colby, labor,	18.88
		Nahum W. Whittier, laths.	1.50
Dec.	21.	T. O. Harrington, lumber,	1.64
	1888.		
Jan.	1.	John S. Straw, as per bill,	27.50
Feb.	11.	Michigan School Furniture Co.,	9.75
			\$446.35
		Balance in my hands,	57.90
			\$504.25
		JOHN S. STRAW, for School Board.	

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

L. D. EVANS,
ANSON WHITE,
HERMAN W. GREEN,

Auditors.

Citizens of Hopkinton School District :

In presenting to you our annual report, the second under the new School System, we are pleased to state that we believe our schools for the past year have been, to say the least, unusually prosperous, and that our pupils have received more schooling from the money expended than during any previous year. From our statistical table it will be seen that schools have been held at fourteen of the different school-houses in the district during the year, the number of weeks in each place being as follows :

Hopkinton Village,	28 weeks
South Contoocook,	28 "
North Contoocook,	28 "
Clement's Hill,	25 "
Blackwater,	20 "
Putney Hill,	20 "
Beech Hill,	27 "
Main Road,	28 "
Jewett Road,	27 "
South Road,	10 "
Sugar Hill and Stumpfield,	28 "
Hatfield,	24 "
Emerson Hill,	29 "
Aggregate,	322 "

Two scholars have been schooled in a private family at an expense of thirty-five dollars, and three have been tuitioned in the Warner district.

Thus it will be seen that with no extra appropriation from the town that each locality has had about all the schooling that could be used to advantage, as our schools are now run. The question may arise, Why so much difference in the amount of schooling in different sections? This arises from the capacity of the scholars in different places to use their school. In some localities schools can be run advantageously in Summer and Fall where it would be folly to attempt to run one in Winter. In such places, the older scholars, where there were any, have been privileged to Winter terms in other schools.

Formerly the town was accustomed to appropriate several hundred dollars annually above what was required by the State law for the benefit of our schools, and this, too, when the town was many thousand dollars in debt. Now our town is in a prosperous financial condition, with comparatively *no* debt. The school funds required to be raised by the State law are sufficient, if properly expended, to give the children all the schooling they can improve under our present system.

What then is our next duty? Evidently to raise the standard of our schools so that they may compare favorably with the schools of any other town or city in the State. How? By securing and paying for the services of energetic and competent teachers; by locating our school-houses in pleasant and convenient places and furnishing pleasant, convenient, and healthful school rooms and *school grounds*. In several parts of the district the school houses are not rightly located for the convenience of the greatest number interested and very few, if any, have proper yards or play-grounds.

At each village in the district should be established a graded school with at least two Departments, and proper buildings should be furnished to carry this plan into effect as soon as possible.

At Contoocook, two schools are held, but a short distance apart, at each of which it has been the custom for scholars of all grades to attend, necessitating a great many classes to each school.

Now the advantage arising from arranging these schools so that the primary scholars may all go to one school, and the more advanced to another, must be evident to all. Each Department would then receive the entire attention of one teacher, giving double the time to classes which they now receive. Schools are much more pleasant as well as more profitable when classed in this way.

Let the citizens throughout the district take a deep interest in their schools and manifest it by attending the annual school meeting and voting necessary appropriations for their benefit and welfare.

We shall be no poorer for what we expend for our schools. But little of the money appropriated ever need leave the town. Home mechanics can do our building and repairing, and in most cases well qualified home-teachers have been employed to teach our schools. As a whole we feel to congratulate our fellow townsmen on the success of our schools during the past year and the favorable prospect for the future. Let us all unite in working for the common good of our Common Schools.

HENRY D. DUSTIN,
THOS. B. RICHARDSON,
JOHN S. STRAW,

School Board of Hopkinton.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Length of School in weeks.	Whole No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Wages of Teacher per month including board.
Hopkinton Village.	Summer.	Hattie M. Hodgdon.	9	32	30	\$28.00
	Fall.	Henry C. Eastman.	9	37	33	30.00
	Winter.	" "	10	33	23	48.00
South Contoocook.	Summer.	Stella G. Wright.	9	23	20	28.00
	Fall.	" "	9	30	28	28.00
	Winter.	Clara A. Putnam.	10	34	26	40.00
North Contoocook.	Summer.	Nettie M. Richardson.	9	28	21	28.00
	Fall.	" "	7	28	22	28.00
	Winter.	T. B. Richardson.	12	27	20	40.00
Beech Hill.	Summer.	Eva F. Burnham.	9	11	10	20.00
	Fall.	" "	5	14	13	24.00
	Winter.	" "	13	14	14	26.00
Main Road.	Summer.	Clara A. White.	9	10	10	24.00
	" "	" "	8	12	12	24.00
	Summer.	Hattie M. Hodgdon.	11	13	12	27.00
Jewett Road.	Summer.	Erita Brockway.	9	7	6	20.00
	Fall.	Mary L. Flanders.	8	12	12	20.00
	Winter.	" "	10	13	7	24.00
South. Sugar Hill and Stumpfield.	Winter.	Georgia A. Rogers.	10	8	6	22.00
	Summer.	Mary L. Kimball.	9	11	7	20.00
	Fall.	" "	9	15	10	24.00
Hatfield.	Winter.	S. Clara White.	10	12	11	24.00
	Summer.	Grace E. Putnam.	9	14	13	24.00
	Fall.	Ada M. Straw.	9	13	12	24.00
Emerson Hill.	Winter.	C. S. F. Whitcomb.	6	13	10	24.00
	Summer.	Lida M. Weeks.	9	16	15	24.00
	Fall.	" "	8	20	19	24.00
Clement's Hill.	Winter.	Carrie A. Sanborn.	12	17	17	24.00
	Summer.	Flora E. Clough.	9	12	10	20.00
	Fall.	" "	10	13	10	24.00
Blackwater.	Winter.	Edward Wayne.	6	14	12	36.00
	Summer.	Mary C. Ager.	9	15	13	20.00
	Fall.	" "	11	11	9	20.00
Putney Hill.	Summer.	Eliza J. Montgomery.	9	11	10	20.00
	Fall.	Hattie M. Hodgdon.	11	15	12	22.00

VITAL STATISTICS.—To the Selectmen of Hopkinton: In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring "Clerks of Towns to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Reports," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.				Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father. Age of Mother.
			Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child, 1st, 2d, &c.							
Jan. 5		Clara May. Edwin J.	"	"	1	W.	Herman Sanborn.	W.	Hopkinton, N. H.	Farmer.	Webster, N. H.	Northfield, N. H.	
" 8			"	"	1	W.	Walter C. Hackett.	"	Sanbornton,	"	Hopkinton,	"	
" 9			"	"	4	"	Warren P. Dwinells.	"	Concord,	"	Webster,	"	
" 8			"	"	2	"	Charles A. Holmes.	"	Eva D.	"	Hopkinton,	"	
" 14			"	"	3	"	Thomas O. Harrington.	"	Hattie R.	"	Hopkinton,	"	
" 24			"	"	4	"	Charles F. Watts.	"	Mary A.	"	Hopkinton,	Me.	
" 30			"	"	3	"	George W. Dutton.	"	Mary E.	"	Hopkinton, N. H.	"	
Feb. 7		Anna M. Delta.	"	"	1	"	John F. Stearns.	"	Anna E. Sherman.	"	Hudson,	"	
" 13			"	"	4	"	Frank West.	"	Della E. Delta.	"	Lyndeboro',	"	
" 25			"	"	4	"	Orren F. Fuller.	"	Lilla Campbell.	"	St. John's, Can.	Henryville, Can.	
March 8			"	"	3	"	Willard E. Waterbury.	"	Nellie.	"	Farmer.	Hopkinton, N. H.	
April 6			"	"	3	"	James M. Perry.	"	Elidene E.	"	Clergyman.	Hastings, N. Y.	
" 30		Thomas Edward.	"	"	1	"	Henry B. Davis.	"	Eliza J.	"	Farmer.	Hopkinton, N. H.	
May 15		{ Fred Luther. } Dell Etta.	"	"	5	"	John F. Gleason.	"	Eveline A.	"	Farmer.	Middleton, Mass.	
" 27			"	"	2	"	Luther F. Spofford.	"	Dora.	"	Groton, Mass.	Boscawen, N. H.	
June 3			"	"	3	"	Herman R. Hazelton.	"		"	Hopkinton, N. H.	Hopkinton,	
" 14			"	"	2	"	Nellie.	"		"		"	
July 12			"	"	4	"	D. Carlton Tucker.	"	Rule maker.	"	Groton,	"	
Aug. 18			"	"	2	"	Charles French.	"	Tanner.	"	Hopkinton,	"	
Sept. 7		George Gardner.	"	"	3	"	Moses T. Clough.	"	Tanner.	"	Hopkinton,	"	
" 10			"	"	10	"	William T. Greene.	"	Sable keeper.	"	Chelsea, Mass.	"	
" 10			"	"	5	"	Israel Reyno.	"	Farmer.	"	Webster, N. H.	"	
" 11			"	"	4	"	Samuel Symonds.	"		"	Weare,	"	
Nov. 24			"	"	1	"	Alfred E. Griffon.	"		"	Lowell, Mass.	"	
Dec. 3		Helen A.	"	"	1	"	Nath'l W. Waterson.	"		"	Philadelphia, Pa.	Weare,	
" 12			"	"	2	"	Irving D. Burbank.	"		"	Hopkinton, N. H.	Hopkinton,	
" 3			"	"	1	"	Milton J. Walker.	"		"	"	"	
" 9		Maud F. Blanche.	"	"	1	"	Hamilton E. Snart.	"		"	Nashville, Tenn.	"	
" 30			"	"	2	"	Forrest Colby.	"		"	Dunbarton, N. H.	"	
			"	"	2	"	Andrew L. F. Straw.	"		"	Litchfield,	"	
			"	"	2	"	Dollie V. Chandler.	"		"	Hopkinton,	"	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Color of eyes. Age of each in years.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition : Name, Residence and Office of Station of Person by whom married.	
										Whether single or widowed.	Whether marriage whether 1st, 2d, &c.
Jan. 15	Dunbarton, N. H.	Anson B. Flanders, Carrie L. Paige.	Hopkinton, N. H. Dunbarton, "	Mechanic.	W. 23 " 21	Wilmet, N. H. Louisa, Dunbarton, "	H. C. Flanders, L. S. Paige.	Hopkinton, N. H. New York.	Bank officer.	Rev. Tilton C. H. Bouton, " N. H.	
Jan. 19	Hopkinton, "	J. Arthur Jones, Mabel N. Bailey.	Hopkinton, "	Farmer.	22 " 19	Hopkinton, " Newbury, "	John F. Jones, Maria (Barbara) George P. Bailey. Addie.	Newbury, N. H. Farmer.	"	Rev. W. E. Waterbury, " Hopkinson, N. H.	
Mar. 21	Brookline, Mass.	Charles A. Milton. Lilia Jefferson.	Brookline, Mass.	Blacksmith.	23 " 19	Nova Scotia.	George Milton. Mary A. Charles Jefferson. Lizzie.	"	"	Rev. Joshua Gill, Brookline, Mass.	
Apr. 23	Concord, N. H.	Joseph Derry. Mary E. Moran,	Hopkinton, N. H. " 21	Blacksmith.	48 " 21	Canada. Hopkinton, N. H.	Adelaide. Patrick Moran. Am.	Hopkinton, "	"	Rev. J. L. Barry, 1st Concord, N. H.	
May 21	Hopkinton, "	Ivan D. Burbank. Augusta J. Clark.	Hopkinton, "	Farmer.	20 " 26	"	Moses W. Burbank. Mary F. Palmer.	Hopkinton, "	"	Rev. F. H. Lyford, 2d Contoocook, N. H.	
July 2	"	Eloyn C. Barton. Mary E. Currier.	"	Stone-cutter.	25 " 20	"	George W. French. Helen C. Runnels. Charles O. Barton. Philandia. Lozaro Currier. Am.	"	"	Rev. Myron W. Adams, " Hopkinton, N. H.	
Aug. 9	"	George Lamprey. Orrilla Abbott.	Concord, Hopkinton, "	Laborer.	20 " 17	Concord, "	"	Concord, "	"	Rev. F. H. Lyford, Contoocook, N. H.	
Aug. 17	Exeter,	Robert T. Wolcott. Alice M. Walton.	"	Clergyman. Dressmaker.	29 " 20	Leicester, Mass. New Portl'd, Me.	"	"	"	Rev. John W. Adams, " Keene, N. H.	
Aug. 18	Hopkinton	Wilton J. Walker. Alice M. Elliott.	Dunbarton Hopkinton, "	Farmer.	21 " 20	Dunbarton, N. H. Hopkinton, "	"	"	"	Rev. F. H. Lyford, Contoocook, N. H.	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years. Mo's. Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
					Female	Male				
Jan. 5	Hopkinton, N. H.	Michael Roman.	73	6/23 Stanbridge, Can.	W	Farmer.	St. John, Can.	Alexander, Can.	Tom West.	Maggie Stone.
" 10	"	Tom Eugene West.	82	5/26 Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Farmer.	Hopkinton, N. H.	Hopkinton, N. H.	Enoch Putney.	Marta Rowell.
Feb. 7	"	Ira A. Putney.	75	9/25 Salisbury, Mass.	W	Farmer.	Mt. Vernon, N. H.	Hopkinton, N. H.	Samuel Proctor.	Hannah Proctor.
" 15	"	Edna Fisk Dustin.	81	3/15 Beverly, Mass.	W	Farmer.	Rowley, Mass.	Beverly,	George A. Elkins.	Mary Thorndike.
" 16	"	Elizabeth J. Tucker.	81	2/15 Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Farmer.	Beverly,	"	Eliza R. Webb.	Seth Webber.
" 21	"	Ignatius W. Fellows.	81	2/11 Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Farmer.	Dunbarton, N. H.	Barnstead, N. H.	Abbie A. Spofford.	Benjamin Fellows.
Mar. 14	"	Abbie A. Spofford.	81	2/11 Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Farmer.	Burnham,	John W. Paige.	Edward D. Burnham.	Blazey Laud.
April 1	"	Edward D. Burnham.	51	7/23	W	Farmer.	Concord,	N. H. Webster,	John Burnham.	Susan E. Wadley.
" 4	"	Fred Dwinnells.	1	8	W	Single.	"	"	Warren P. Dwinnells.	Ida A. Libby.
" 9	"	Harry W. Dwinnells.	1	8	W	Single.	"	"	"	"
" 11	"	Maud A. Mills.	1	9	W	Single.	Boscawen,	Hopkinton,	"	Belle M. Brown.
" 13	"	Ida A. Dwinnells.	22	8	W	Single.	Hopkinton,	"	"	Smart.
" 15	"	Isaac Rowell.	73	11/26 Hopkinton,	W	Farmer.	Concord,	"	Mrs. Rowell.	Tamison Eastman.
May 3	"	Mary Wells.	51	8/20 Orange,	W	Farmer.	Hopkinton,	"	Eben O. Morrill.	Mary Jackson.
June 5	"	Robert B. Chandler.	1	17 Hopkinton,	W	Single.	Hopkinton,	"	Frank W. Chandler.	Margery Rogers.
" 14	"	Hannah B. French.	90	7 Andover,	W	Widowed.	Hopkinton,	"	Jonathan Brown,	Sarah Clancy.
" 16	"	Sarah Boutelle.	79	6	W	Married.	Hopkinton,	"	Simeon Butterfield.	Huniton.
July 4	"	HeLEN C. French.	48	1/16 Boscawen,	W	Married.	Concord	"	Jerusha Webber.	Sarah A. Hardy.
" 6	"	Sarah J. Chase.	58	"	W	Widowed.	Boscawen,	"	Matilda Eastman.	— Noyes.
" 7	"	Martha B. Richards.	80	6/14 Newport,	W	Single.	Salem	"	Rufus Putnam.	Martha Buswell.
" 24	"	Charles A. Locke.	3	3 Lowell, Mass.	W	Married.	Hopkinton,	"	Nathaniel Dow.	Etta Merrill.
" 25	"	Charles E. Taylor.	65	11/25 Hancock, N. H.	W	Single.	Hopkinton,	"	Arthur S. Locke.	Hannah Whitcomb.
" 25	"	Laura E. French.	72	13 Hopkinton,	W	Widowed.	Hopkinton,	"	Edward Taylor.	James Huse.
Aug. 24	"	Lucinda Wilson.	83	6/14 Newton,	W	Single.	Hopkinton,	"	Charles French.	Samuel Gale.
Sept. 3	"	Annie G. Straw.	82	"	W	Widowed.	Hopkinton,	"	James Huse.	Polly Felton.
Oct. 10	"	Mary P. Clough.	82	"	W	Married.	Hillsboro,	"	Bulinda Hoyt.	James J. Hoyt.
" 15	"	Sarah Maria Morgan.	55	Bradford,	W	Widowed.	Hillsboro,	"	"	"
Nov. 13	"	Chloe B. Hill.	81	1 Uxbridge, Mass.	W	Married.	Hillsboro,	"	"	"
" 14	"	Samuel Johnson.	76	9/13 Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Single.	Hillsboro,	"	"	"
" 16	"	George A. Elkins.	37	Franklin,	W	Widowed.	Hillsboro,	"	"	"
" 21	"	Joanna R. Holmes.	74	New York, N. Y.	W	Married.	New York, N. Y.	"	William Winan.	Eliza R. Webb.
Dec. 5	"	Susan Maria Stark.	61	Hopkinton, N. H.	W	Married.	Hopkinton, N. H.	"	Hopkinton, N. H.	Susan Crowell.
" 7	"	Olive J. Kempton.	41	"	W	Married.	"	"	"	"

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN A. FULLER, Town Clerk.